# News Release



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### Winter Play Time is Here!

## SNO-PARK Permits Now Available Online at the State Parks Store

SNO-PARK season permits, which allow holders unlimited use of the 21 SNO-PARKS operated by California State Parks for snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, tobogganing and other snow play, are now available for credit card purchase online, California State Parks announced today.

The season permits are being sold through the California State Parks Store website <a href="www.store.parks.ca.gov">www.store.parks.ca.gov</a> by clicking the left-hand menu: "Passes." The permits cost \$25, plus shipping and handling, and are valid for the entire SNO-PARK season from November 1 through May 30.

The SNO-PARK sites provide snow-cleared parking lots with sanitation facilities and access to snow play areas, cross-country ski and snowmobile trails. More than 267,0000 visitors enjoyed SNO-PARKS last year.

The California State Parks online store is also offering for purchase by credit card the Off-Highway Vehicle Annual Pass which gives visitors unlimited use of all six State Vehicular Recreation Areas (Hollister Hills SVRA, Hungry Valley SVRA, Oceano Dunes SVRA, Ocotillo Wells SVRA, Prairie City SVRA and Carnegie SVRA.) The passes cost \$40, plus shipping and handling.

For more information about the SNO-PARK program, call the SNO-PARKS hotline at (916) 324 -1222.

SNO-PARK locations are:



#### **Alpine County:**

- Carson Pass (south side of Highway 88 at Carson Pass, 60 miles east of Jackson)
- Hope Valley (south side of Highway 88 at Blue Lakes Road, five miles east of Carson Pass)
- Lake Alpine (at winter closure gate on Highway 4, just past turn off to Mt. Reba Ski Area)
- Meiss Meadow (north side of Highway 88, quarter mile west of Carson Pass)

#### Calaveras County

• **Spicer** (south side of Highway 4 at Spicer Road)

#### El Dorado County

- **Echo Lake** (north side of Highway 50 at Echo Lake Road)
- **Echo Summit** (south side of Highway 50 at Echo Summit)
- Iron Mountain (north side of Highway 88 at the Mormon-Emigrant Trail Road)
- Taylor Creek (west side of Highway 89 just north of Camp Richardson)

#### Fresno County

- Balsam Meadows (north side of Highway 168 east of Camp Eidson)
- Coyote (north side of Highway 186 and 61 miles east of Fresno)
- **Eastwood** (east side of Highway 168 at Huntington Lake Road)
- Huntington Lake (west side of Huntington Lake Road)
- Tamarack (south side of Highway 168 and 60 miles east of Fresno)

#### Mono County

Rock Creek (west side of Highway 395 at Tom's Place 25 miles north of Bishop)

#### Nevada County

- **Donner Lake** (south side of I-80 at Donner Lake exit on Donner Pass Road)
- Donner Summit (south side of I-80 at Castle Peak exit beyond Boreal Inn frontage road)
- Yuba Gap (south side of I-80 at Yuba Gap exit, go to NACO/Snowflower)

#### Placer County

Blackwood Canyon (west side of Highway 89, three miles south of Tahoe City)

#### Sierra County

Yuba Pass (south side of Highway 49 at Yuba Pass)

#### **Tuolumne County**

• **Highway 108** (at winter closure gate on Highway 108, six miles east of Strawberry)